Green Deal

The background of the call

Argumentation

- We have been living environmental and social changes since the decade 1980 - 1990.
- Today, scientific data are being openly generated to the public.
- The key questions:
  - A disruption or a transformation of the system?
  - What about the energy provided by the citizens?
  - The role of the social movements?

The previous steps

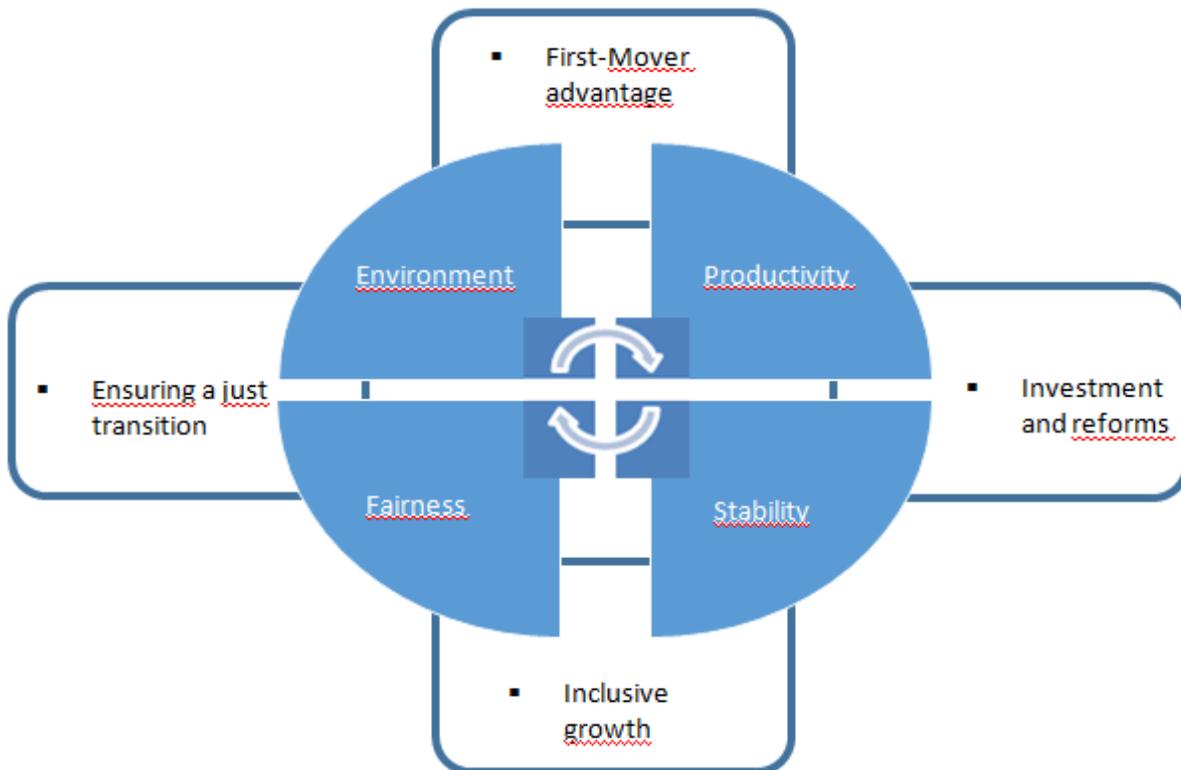### 17.12.2019: Communication from the European commission - Annual sustainable growth strategy 2020

'I want Europe to strive for more when it comes to social fairness and prosperity. This is the Union's founding promise.' Ursula von der Leyen, 16 July 2019

The European semester cycle: a reboot

We are facing a shift in the focus: in the past, the items were "financial stability", "debt" and "economic policy". Nowadays, the commission wants a rebooted growth model with a competitive and sustainable system. The focus is a sustainable and inclusive economic model that will put people and climate first.

➢ An economy that works for people and the planet

"Economic growth is not an end in itself. An economy must work for the people and the planet. Climate and environmental concerns, technological progress and demographic change are set to transform our societies profoundly. The European Union and its Member States must now respond to these structural shifts with a new growth model that will respect the limitations on our natural resources and ensure job creation and lasting prosperity for the future."

14.01.2020: [Sustainable Europe Investment Plan – European green deal investment plan approved](#)

Investment by the European Bank

04.03.2020: [European Climate Law](#)

The goal of the European Union countries - climate neutrality by 2050 - must be written into a law. This neutrality will be achieved if every European country concerned will lead a policy implementing social, fair and cost "efficient manners".

Meanwhile, a new EU target is in view for 2030: greenhouses gas emissions reductions

Thus the trajectory is to develop and implement adaptation strategies to strength resilience and reduce vulnerability to the effects of climate change.

10.03.2020: [A new industrial strategy for Europe](#)

- An SME strategy for a sustainable and digital Europe
- A new circular economy plan: sharing, repairing, reviving
- 35 proposed measures, mainly legislative

Core sectors: electronics and ICT, textiles, plastics, food & packaging, waste.

- ➢ Product policy framework (for example)
  - • Legislative and non-legislative measures establishing a next "right to repair"
  - • Legislative proposal on substantiating green claims.

- ➢ Skills development for a circular economy transition

For example: local municipal organization, to design systems, shaping policies for the future.

20.05.2020: Farm2fork and biodiversity strategy

- ➢ Biodiversity strategy
  - • Establish protected areas for at least 30% of land and 30% of sea in Europe
  - • Restore degraded ecosystems at land and sea

- ➢ Farm to fork strategy
  - • Contribution to carbon neutrality
  - • Changes in diet

28.05.2020: Establishing a Recovery and Resilience Facility after the outbreak of the COVID-19 pandemic

"The outbreak of the COVID-19 pandemic has changed the economic outlook for the years to come in the Union."…

"The proposed Recovery and Resilience Facility (the 'Facility') will offer large scale financial support for public investments and reforms that make Member States economies more resilient, and better prepared for the future."

Crisis recovery: back to normal or, renewal and jump forward?

- ➢ How to get this recovery together?

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11 areas: **1-8 specific areas / 9-11 transversal areas**

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1-8 specific areas

1. Area 1: Increasing climate ambition: cross sectoral challenges
2. Area 2: Clean, affordable and secure energy
3. Area 3: Industry for a clean and circular economy
4. Area 4: Energy and resource efficient buildings
5. Area 5: Sustainable and smart mobility
6. Area 6: Farm to fork
7. Area 7: Ecosystems and biodiversity
8. Area 8: Zero pollution, toxic free environment

9-11 transversal areas

9. Area 9: Strengthening our knowledge in support of the European Green Deal
10. Area 10: Empowering citizens for the transition towards a climate neutral, sustainable Europe (how to involve citizens, deliberation with the citizens)
11. Area 11: International cooperation

Timeline

Finalization of call

- Ongoing work
- Launch of internal approval: early July 2020
- Formal adoption: mid-September 2020
- Open communication about progress

Proposal writing

- Research & innovation days: 22-24 September 2020 as a "meeting and partnering" opportunity
- **Deadline for project proposals: end January 2021**

Evaluation of the project

- Evaluation: spring 2021
- First projects to start: summer 2021
- Agreed projects have to be signed by 31/12/2021